

gagaku

I've tried much
come back to poetry writing
will stay
I'll take intermissions
enough not to stale myself

I've tried oil painting
sold a few
and I'll go back to it
during intermissions

but my serious
effort
will be this
demon seeing

I light a cigarette
seeing demons is something
no one does as well as I
in poetry

no one else
even tries

silver and gold gowns
sparkling
glittering

they move
slowly
and speed up
jiggling about

they wear cowboy boots
bullets in a belt
around their now
black and grey gowns
robes

I take another puff

I'm not going to quit
until I'm dead
it's true
it holds me stronger than any
wife